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FOR AN AUCTION FUNCTION IN A SUPPLY CHAIN
MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 10, 2003, concerning the above-referenced patent application and is a substitute for the amendment filed on April 12, 2004. Please disregard that earlier filing.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: